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Item 2 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

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Annotations

1. Election of officers

At its thirty-eighth session, in 1998, the Committee elected a Chairman, three Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur. It will be recalled that at its twenty-fourth session, the Committee decided that, thenceforth, the post of Chairman, as well as the other posts on the bureau, should rotate annually among the regional groups. At its twenty-fifth session, the Committee reaffirmed that decision and adopted the following pattern of rotation for the post of Chairman: (a) Group of African States; (b) Group of Eastern European States; (c) Group of Latin American and the Caribbean States; (d) Group of Western European and other States; and (e) Group of Asian States.

At its thirty-ninth session, the Committee may wish to elect the Chairman from the Group of African States in accordance with the agreed pattern of rotation for the post of Chairman, and the Rapporteur from the regional group that had occupied the post of Chairman the previous year, namely the Group of Asian States.

2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

Pursuant to paragraph 2 (e) of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/41 of 10 May 1979 and paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 34/50 of 23 November 1979, the Committee submitted to the Council and the Assembly for their review the provisional agenda for its thirty-ninth session, together with the list of documentation requested. The present provisional agenda and list of documentation also take into account decisions taken by the Council and the Assembly since the thirty-eighth session of the Committee.

In accordance with paragraph 6 of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) of 14 May 1976, the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit concerning the economic, social and human rights programmes of the United Nations system, including the reports dealing with the United Nations Development Programme, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, shall be examined by the Committee for Programme and Coordination, which shall report thereon to the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly. In that connection, the Committee will select, under agenda item 2, the report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit for consideration by the Committee at its thirty-ninth session under agenda item 6.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on the status of documentation for the session (E/AC.51/1999/L.1)

Note by the Secretariat containing a list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/1999/L.3)

3. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

In its resolution 45/254 A of 21 December 1990, the General Assembly decided to continue considering annually the administrative, structural and other aspects of the improvement

of the efficiency of the Organization, and invited the Secretary-General to report accordingly.

At its thirty-fourth session, in 1994, the Committee endorsed the measures relating to the establishment of a transparent and effective system of accountability and responsibility to be taken by 1 January 1995 and recommended that future proposals be submitted as appropriate to the General Assembly through the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

It will be recalled that consideration of the documents relating to the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations has been deferred repeatedly by the General Assembly (decisions 49/489 and 50/503). Owing to the ongoing reform and the continuing development of administrative and efficiency initiatives by the Secretary-General, the Committee has not been able to consider the annual report on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations since its thirty-sixth session.

At its thirty-eighth session, the Committee decided to postpone to its thirty-ninth session consideration of the report to be submitted by the Secretary-General on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations, as mandated in General Assembly resolution 45/254 A.

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (A/54/67)

4. Programme questions

(a) Programme planning

(i) Programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1996–1997

At its thirty-eighth session, in examining the report of the Secretary-General on the programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1996–1997 (A/53/122 and Add.1), the Committee recognized the need for effective systems at the intergovernmental and departmental levels to ensure that the activities corresponded to the mandates reflected in the medium-term plan and programme budgets, as well as the need to monitor and evaluate the quality of performance. In that regard, the Committee recommended to the General Assembly that the Secretary-General be requested to submit proposals for consideration by the Committee at its thirty-ninth session on ways in which full implementation as well as the quality of mandated programmes and activities could be ensured and could be better assessed by and reported to Member States. The General Assembly endorsed the recommendation of the Committee in section I of its resolution 53/207 of 18 December 1998.

(ii) Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation

At its thirty-eighth session, the Committee for Programme and Coordination requested the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to prepare revisions to the relevant Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation and to bring them to the attention of the General Assembly through the Committee for Programme and

Coordination before promulgation. The General Assembly endorsed the recommendation of the Committee in its resolution 53/207.

(iii) Medium-term plan for the period 1998–2001

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 53/207, section I, in which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to take all appropriate measures, including ad hoc measures, and to submit proposals, through the Committee for Programme and Coordination, to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session, so as to enable the Main Committees of the General Assembly, as well as the sectoral, functional and regional bodies, effectively to review the relevant portions of the medium-term plan or its revisions, with a view to facilitating their consideration by the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on ways in which full implementation and the quality of mandated programmes and activities could be ensured and could be better assessed by and reported to Member States (A/54/___)

Report of the Secretary-General on the revisions to the relevant Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (A/54/___)

Report of the Secretary-General on appropriate measures taken, including ad hoc measures, and proposals submitted to enable the Main Committees of the General Assembly, as well as the sectoral, functional and regional bodies, effectively to review the relevant portions of the medium-term plan or its revisions, with a view to facilitating their consideration by the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly (A/54/___)

(b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001

Pursuant to its terms of reference (see Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX), annex), the Committee will consider the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001.

In accordance with the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation, the Secretary-General shall provide the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions with advance copies of the proposed programme budget by the end of April of the year preceding the budgetary period; the Committee for Programme and Coordination shall prepare a report on the proposed programme budget, containing its programme recommendations and its general assessment of the related resource proposals, and it shall receive a statement by the Secretary-General on the programme implications of its recommendations.

It will be recalled that, in line with the budgetary process established by the General Assembly in its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986, the Committee, at its thirty-eighth session, had before it the outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001. In examining the outline, the Committee used as a framework the four aspects listed in paragraph 1 of the report of the Secretary-General (A/53/220), in accordance with General Assembly resolution 41/213, annex I. The Committee recommended that the Assembly give further consideration to all aspects contained in the proposed programme

budget outline, taking into account the views expressed by Member States and the following factors:

(a) The preliminary estimate should be adequate for the full implementation of all mandated programmes and activities;

(b) The size of the contingency fund should be 0.75 per cent of the budget outline;

(c) The priorities should be those proposed by the Secretary-General, as approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 51/219;

(d) The preliminary indicative allocation of resources, the provisions for anticipated savings and the provisions for the Development Account should be further examined on a priority basis;

(e) The arrangements for financing special political missions and the treatment of currency fluctuations and inflation should be examined by the General Assembly as a matter of priority, in the light, *inter alia*, of the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/51/57) and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee thereon (A/52/7/Add.2).

In its resolution 53/206 of 18 December 1998 on the proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2000–2001, the General Assembly reaffirmed that the outline should contain an indication of the following:

(a) A preliminary estimate of resources to accommodate the proposed programme of activities during the biennium;

(b) Priorities reflecting general trends of a broad sectoral nature;

(c) Real growth, positive or negative, compared with the previous budget;

(d) The size of the contingency fund expressed as a percentage of the overall level of resources.

In the same resolution, the Assembly also reaffirmed that the outline should provide a greater level of predictability of resources required for the following biennium, promote greater involvement of Member States in the budgetary process and thereby facilitate the broadest possible agreement on the programme budget. The Assembly decided that the preliminary estimate of resources for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 should therefore include a provision for special political missions, in the amount of $86.2 million at revised 1998–1999 rates, which should be reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001; and that additional requirements shall continue to be treated in accordance with the provisions of Assembly resolution 41/213. The Assembly also reiterated that the priorities for the biennium 2000–2001 should be as determined in its resolution 51/219 of 18 December 1996, namely:

(a) Maintenance of international peace and security;

(b) Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development, in accordance with relevant General Assembly resolutions and recent United Nations conferences;

(c) Development of Africa;

(d) Promotion of human rights;

(e) Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts;

(f) Promotion of justice and international law;

(g) Disarmament;

(h) Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

Also in the same resolution, the Assembly invited the Secretary-General to prepare his proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 on the basis of a total preliminary estimate of $2,545 million at revised 1998–1999 rates. The Assembly decided that the contingency fund should be set at the level of 0.75 per cent of the preliminary estimate, namely at $19.1 million, and that the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 should contain provisions for recosting on the basis of the existing methodology.

The Assembly reiterated its request that the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 contain information on the total amount of resources that the Secretary-General should have at his disposal from all sources of financing in order to implement fully all mandated programmes and activities.

Documentation

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 (A/54/__) (in fascicle form)

(c) Evaluation

At its thirty-seventh session, in 1997, the Committee adopted a timetable for evaluation, according to which it would undertake in 1999 in-depth evaluations of the programmes on disarmament and electoral assistance.

In accordance with regulation 7.4 of the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation, the Committee will undertake, at its thirty-ninth session, a triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-sixth session on the evaluations of the Department of Public Information and of peacekeeping operations: termination phase.

It will be recalled that, at its thirty-sixth session, the Committee reviewed the in-depth evaluations of the Department of Public Information and of peacekeeping operations: termination phase and decided to recommend that the report on the in-depth evaluation of the Department, together with the Committee's conclusions and recommendations thereon, be transmitted to the Committee on Information at its nineteenth session for consideration and appropriate action and that the report on the in-depth evaluation of peacekeeping operations: termination phase, also with the Committee's conclusions and recommendations thereon, be transmitted to the Informal Open-ended Working Group of the General Assembly on an Agenda for Peace, the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and other intergovernmental bodies for consideration and appropriate action.

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the programme on disarmament (E/AC.51/1999/2)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the programme on electoral assistance (E/AC.51/1999/3)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-sixth session on the evaluation of the Department of Public Information (E/AC.51/1999/4)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-sixth session on the evaluation of peacekeeping operations: termination phase (E/AC.51/1999/5)

5. Coordination questions

(a) Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination

In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX), the Committee will have before it the annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) for 1998.

At its thirty-eighth session, the Committee made several recommendations on the work and reporting procedures of ACC. With regard to the latter, the Committee recommended that future reports of ACC should be more analytical and highlight problems encountered and should also include a full listing of other system-wide reports before intergovernmental bodies relevant to the issues dealt with in the annual report. It also recommended that ways be found to analyse and bring to its attention the results of the work of the Economic and Social Council and its functional commissions, through the annual overview report of ACC, on issues dealt with by the Committee within its coordination mandate. With regard to the overall work of ACC, the Committee reiterated that ACC, in carrying out its primary task of strengthening the coordination of activities of the United Nations system, should focus on the strategic objectives established in the Charter of the United Nations, the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the medium-term plans of the organizations of the system. It further recommended that ACC work towards the preparation, in each programme area of broad inter-agency concern, of strategic policy papers indicating issues to be addressed, coordination problems being encountered, what role each agency and/or organization should play and areas where intergovernmental guidance was required.

Documentation

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1998 (E/1999/___)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special Initiative for the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s

At its thirty-eighth session, the Committee considered the progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special Initiative for the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s (E/AC.51/1998/7). It recommended that ACC be requested to intensify its efforts to mobilize fully the analytical and operational capacities and capabilities of the United Nations system at the service of the Special Initiative, in order to achieve coverage of the maximum number of countries and areas of activity. It also recommended that the different lead agencies be called upon, under the coordination of the Steering Committee, to develop, in their respective areas, a common strategic framework for action that analysed and highlighted the problems, set the goals, determined the respective contributions of organizations, indicated necessary resources and set reference points, including performance indicators, in order to permit an effective follow-up of results, taking as the starting point the final review and appraisal of the New Agenda in 2002 and implied incentive measures.

In the area of coordination, the Committee requested that efforts be intensified in respect of the actions taken in response to the recommendations made at its thirty-seventh session, and in particular as regards the orientation and advocacy role of the Secretary-General, the follow-up and catalytic role of the Office of the Special Coordinator for Africa and the Least Developed Countries and the operational role of the United Nations Development Programme and the Economic Commission for Africa. It also requested that further coordination measures aimed at establishing a dynamic common framework of action be strengthened at the field level. The Committee also recommended that efforts be intensified in order to establish a vigorous plan of increased mobilization of resources directed at the eradication of poverty, economic development, substantial reduction of debt, institution of partnership innovations, market access and trade opportunities, mobilization of domestic resources and allocation of additional resources. In that regard, the Committee called for the greater involvement of the Bretton Woods institutions in the increased mobilization of resources for capacity-building of African countries.

In accordance with the request contained in paragraph 333 of part one of the report on its thirty-eighth session (A/53/16), the Committee will have before it, at its thirty-ninth session, a new progress report on the implementation of the Special Initiative, including measures taken in response to the recommendations set out in paragraphs 327 to 332 of the first part of its report.

Documentation

Progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special Initiative for the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s (E/AC.51/1999/6)

6. Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

At its organizational meeting each year, the Committee selects the Joint Inspection Unit reports to be considered at its regular session of that year from a list of titles to be made available by the secretariat of the Unit, including the titles of reports projected for the following two years.

The attention of the Committee is drawn to General Assembly resolution 42/218 of 21 December 1987, in which the Assembly requested all bodies of the United Nations system to examine closely those reports of the Joint Inspection Unit that were within their respective areas of competence and to comment, as appropriate, on the recommendations contained therein. The attention of the Committee is also drawn to Assembly resolution 45/237 of 21 December 1990.

In its resolution 48/221 of 23 December 1993, the General Assembly invited the Joint Inspection Unit, in its future work programmes, to put more emphasis on inspection and evaluation to ensure optimum use of funds in order to enhance the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations system. It also requested the Unit, when appropriate, to provide in its reports information on estimated financial implications or possible cost savings resulting from implementation of the recommendations formulated therein.

In the same resolution, the General Assembly called upon the Joint Inspection Unit to follow up on the implementation of its recommendations and to include the relevant information regularly in its annual reports. The Assembly also invited the Unit to maintain a close relationship with the Committee for Programme and Coordination, the International Civil Service Commission, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,

the Board of Auditors, the Panel of External Auditors and organizations and bodies within the United Nations system in order to ensure greater and more cost-effective coordination of their respective activities for the promotion of management efficiency, greater accountability and transparency of the United Nations and other participating organizations. It also requested the executive heads of the participating organizations to increase their efforts to make detailed and timely comments on Joint Inspection Unit reports and to ensure that their governing bodies considered those reports.

Furthermore, in paragraph 5 (e) (iii) of its resolution 48/218 B of 29 July 1994, in which it established the Office of Internal Oversight Services, the General Assembly decided that the Board of Auditors and the Joint Inspection Unit should be provided with copies of all final reports produced by the Office as well as the comments of the Secretary-General on them and should provide the Assembly with their comments as appropriate.

In its resolution 50/233 of 7 June 1996, the General Assembly requested the Joint Inspection Unit to continue to focus its reports on important priority items, identifying concrete managerial, administrative and programming questions aimed at providing the Assembly and other legislative organs of participating organizations with practical and action-oriented recommendations on precisely defined issues. It also requested the Unit to issue its reports well in advance of meetings of the legislative organs of participating organizations so that the reports could be thoroughly and effectively utilized by those organs.

7. Improving the working methods and procedures of the Committee for Programme and Coordination within the framework of its mandate

At its thirty-eighth session, the Committee decided to include in its programme of work an item entitled "Improving the working methods and procedures of the Committee for Programme and Coordination within the framework of its mandate" as an approach to encourage the promotion of all its potential. Attention is drawn to the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee contained in paragraphs 362 to 369 of part one of its report (A/53/16). The Committee decided to continue its consideration of the item at its thirty-ninth session.

In its resolution 53/207, the General Assembly took note of the conclusions and recommendations contained in part one, chapter V, of the report of the Committee on the work of its thirty-eighth session and looked forward to their implementation.

8. Provisional agenda for the fortieth session of the Committee

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1894 (LVII) of 1 August 1974, the Committee will have before it the draft provisional agenda for its fortieth session, with an indication of the documents to be submitted under each agenda item and the legislative authority for their preparation, in order to enable the Committee to consider those documents from the point of view of their contribution to the work of the Committee, their urgency and their relevance in the light of the current situation.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on the provisional agenda and documentation for the fortieth session of the Committee (E/AC.51/1999/L.___)

9. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its thirty-ninth session

The report of the Committee on its thirty-ninth session will be submitted to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1999 and to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session.

Annex I

Proposed programme of work

Organizational session for 1999

Friday, 30 April	**Item 1**	**Election of officers**
	Item 2	**Adoption of the agenda and organization of work**
		Provisional agenda and note by the Secretariat on the status of documentation for the session (E/AC.51/1999/1 and E/AC.51/1999/L.1)
		Note by the Secretariat containing a list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/1999/L.3)
		Note by the Secretariat on the current notional costs of documentation and utilization of interpretation services (E/AC.51/1999/L.4)

Thirty-ninth session (7 June–2 July 1999)

Monday, 7 June and Tuesday, 8 June (morning and afternoon)	**Item 4**	**Programme questions**
	(c)	Evaluation
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the programme on disarmament (E/AC.51/1999/2)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the programme on electoral assistance (E/AC.51/1999/3)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-sixth session on the evaluation of the Department of Public Information (E/AC.51/1999/4)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-sixth session on the evaluation of peacekeeping operations: termination phase (E/AC.51/1999/5)
		Introduction and general discussion

Wednesday, 9 June and Thursday, 10 June (morning and afternoon)	**Item 4**	**Programme questions**
	(a)	Programme planning
	(i)	Programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1996–1997
		Report of the Secretary-General on ways in which full implementation and the quality of mandated programmes and activities could be ensured and could be better assessed by and reported to Member States (A/54/__)
		Introduction and general discussion
	(ii)	Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation
		Report of the Secretary-General on the revisions to the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (A/54/__)
		Introduction and general discussion
	(iii)	Medium-term plan for the period 1998–2001
		Report of the Secretary-General on appropriate measures taken, including ad hoc measures, and proposals submitted to enable the Main Committees of the General Assembly as well as the sectoral, functional and regional bodies, effectively to review the relevant portions of the medium-term plan or its revisions, with a view to facilitating their consideration by the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly (A/54/__)
		Introduction and general discussion
Friday, 11 June (morning and afternoon)	**Item 5**	**Coordination questions**
	(a)	Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination
		Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1998 (E/1999/__)
	(b)	Implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special Initiative for the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s
		Progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special Initiative for the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s (E/AC.51/1999/6)
		Introduction and general discussion

Item 3 **Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations**

Note by the Secretary-General on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (A/54/67)

Introduction and general discussion

Monday, 14 June (morning)

Item 6 **Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit**

Introduction and general discussion

(afternoon)

Informal consultations on:

Item 4 **Programme questions**

(c) Evaluation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the programme on disarmament (E/AC.51/1999/2)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the programme on electoral assistance (E/AC.51/1999/3)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-sixth session on the evaluation of the Department of Public Information (E/AC.51/1999/4)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-sixth session on the evaluation of peacekeeping operations: termination phase (E/AC.51/1999/5)

Tuesday, 15 June (morning and afternoon)

Informal consultations on:

Item 5 **Coordination questions**

(a) Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1998 (E/1999/__)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special Initiative for the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s

Progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special

Initiative for the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s (E/AC.51/1999/6)

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(a) Programme planning

(i) Programme performance

Report of the Secretary-General on ways in which full implementation and the quality of mandated programmes and activities could be ensured and could be better assessed by and reported to Member States (A/54/__)

(ii) Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation

Report of the Secretary-General on the revisions to the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (A/54/__)

(iii) Medium-term plan for the period 1998–2001

Report of the Secretary-General on appropriate measures taken, including ad hoc measures, and proposals submitted to enable the Main Committees of the General Assembly as well as the sectoral, functional and regional bodies, effectively to review the relevant portions of the medium-term plan or its revisions, with a view to facilitating their consideration by the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly (A/54/__)

Wednesday, 16 June (morning and afternoon)

Informal consultations on:

Item 4 Programme questions

(c) Evaluation

Item 6 Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

Item 5 Coordination questions

(a) Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination

(b) Implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special Initiative for the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s

Item 3 Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Thursday, 17 June (morning and afternoon)

Item 4 Programme questions

(b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 (A/54/__)

		Introduction and general discussion
	Item 7	**Improving the working methods and procedures of the Committee for Programme and Coordination within the framework of its mandate**
		General discussion
Friday, 18 June (morning and afternoon)	**Item 4**	**Programme questions**
	(b)	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001
		Conclusion of general discussion
Monday, 21 June to Thursday, 24 June	**Item 4**	**Programme questions**
	(b)	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001
		Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 (section by section)
Friday, 25 June (morning and afternoon)		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 4	**Programme questions**
	(a)	Programme planning
	(i)	Programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1996–1997
	(ii)	Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation
	(iii)	Medium-term plan for the period 1998–2001
	Item 7	**Improving the working methods and procedures of the Committee for Programme and Coordination within the framework of its mandate**
		Outstanding issues
Monday, 28 June to Wednesday, 30 June (morning and afternoon)		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 4	**Programme questions**
	(b)	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001
Thursday, 1 July (morning and afternoon)		*Informal consultations on:*
		All outstanding issues
Friday, 2 July (morning)		*Informal consultations on:*
		All outstanding issues
(afternoon)	**Item 8**	**Provisional agenda for the fortieth session of the Committee**
	Item 9	**Adoption of the report of the Committee on its thirty-ninth session**
		Closure of the thirty-ninth session

Annex II

Members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for 1999*

	Term expires on 31 December
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Austria	1999
Bahamas	2000
Benin	2001
Brazil	1999
Cameroon	1999
China	2001
Comoros	2001
Congo	1999
Egypt	2001
France	2000
Germany	1999
Indonesia	1999
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	1999
Italy	1999
Japan	2001
Mexico	2000
Nicaragua	1999
Nigeria	1999
Pakistan	1999
Poland	1999
Republic of Korea	2001
Romania	1999
Russian Federation	2000
Thailand	1999
Trinidad and Tobago	1999
Uganda	2000
Ukraine	1999
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1999
United States of America	2000
Uruguay	2001
Zambia	2000
Zimbabwe	1999

* One seat for a member from the Western European and other States remains to be filled.